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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Friedbert Wechs et al.

Serial No. TBD

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For: Dialysis Membrane Having Improved

Average Molecular Distance

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application: